

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, March 22, 2006.

Met according to adjournment, at eleven o'clock A.M., with Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Goodness and Truth, we try each day, with Your assistance, to serve You and the people who depend upon our sound judgements in a constructive and creative manner. We recognize our own human limitations in resolving the day's complex and often emotional issues and policies. Without compromising our values and principles, help us to unite our many and varied constituencies in pursuing goals which enhance the quality of life and the personal dignity of all people. May the human and spiritual well-being of our children continue to remain a top priority as we struggle to empower all children to utilize their God-given talents and gifts in a productive manner.

Prayer.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Petrolati), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Message from the Governor.

A message from His Excellency the Governor recommending legislation relative to protecting religious freedom (House, No. 4776) was filed in the office of the Clerk on Wednesday, March 15.

Adoption
and foster
placement.

The message was read; and it was referred, under Rule 30, with the accompanying draft of a bill, to the committee on The Judiciary. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Statement Concerning Representative Kennedy of Brockton.

A statement of Mr. Rogers of Norwood concerning Mr. Kennedy of Brockton was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that one of our colleagues, Representative Kennedy of Brockton will not be present in the House Chamber for today's sitting due to his continued hospitalization. Any roll calls that he may miss today will be due entirely to the reason stated.

Statement
concerning
Representative
Kennedy of
Brockton.

Statement of Representative Rivera of Springfield.

During the session, a statement of Ms. Rivera of Springfield was spread upon the records of the House, as follows:

MR. SPEAKER: I would like to call to the attention of the House the fact that I will be unable to be present in the House Chamber for

Statement of
Representative
Rivera of
Springfield.

the remainder of today's sitting due to leaving to attend the wake of Robert E. Buoniconti, the late father of Senator Stephen J. Buoniconti. Any roll calls that I may miss today will be due entirely to the reason stated.

Distinguished Guest.

United States
Senator
Edward M.
Kennedy.

During the session, the Chair (Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow) turned the gavel over to the Speaker for the purpose of introducing the senior United States Senator from Massachusetts, Senator Edward M. Kennedy. Senator Kennedy then addressed the House briefly. He was the guest of the Speaker.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Tony
and Carol
Saraiva.

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Haddad of Somerset and Travis of Rehoboth) congratulating Pastors Tony and Carol Saraiva on the occasion of their twenty-five years in public ministry; and

Jonathan
George
Peters.

Resolutions (filed by Mrs. Walrath of Stow) congratulating Jonathan George Peters on receiving the Eagle Award of the Boy Scouts of America;

Mr. Rogers of Norwood, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. O'Brien of Kingston, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Annual Report.

Construction,
affirmative
marketing.

The annual report of the Office of Minority and Women Business Assistance (under Section 6(i) of Chapter 193 of the Acts of 2004) relative to the performance of the construction reform affirmative marketing program for the fiscal year 2005 and the first half of fiscal year 2006, was placed on file.

Petitions.

Jean
Simonelli,
sick leave.

Mr. DiMasi of Boston presented a petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Salvatore F. DiMasi for legislation to establish a sick leave bank for Jean Simonelli, an employee of the Massachusetts Department of Revenue; and the same was referred, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules and the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently, then reported recommending that Joint Rule 12 be suspended. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Brien of Kingston, the report was considered forthwith. Joint Rule 12 was suspended; and the petition (accompanied by bill) was referred to the committee on Public Service. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Petitions severally were presented and referred as follows:

By Ms. Callahan of Sutton, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Jennifer M. Callahan that the retirement board of Worcester County be required to grant certain creditable service to William A. Martin.

William A.
Martin,
retirement.

By Mr. Mariano of Quincy, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Ronald Mariano that the State Board of Retirement be directed to grant certain credit to Maxon L. Goudy for services rendered as an employee of the Registry of Motor Vehicles.

Maxon L.
Goudy,
retirement.

By Mr. Nangle of Lowell, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Linda Kelley Rouleau and David M. Nangle for legislation to require the publication of deaths by next of kin in local newspapers in the Commonwealth.

Deaths,
publication.

By Mrs. Parente of Milford, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Marie J. Parente and others relative to the use of proceeds from certain fines for training and education of fire prevention personnel and the payment of stipends to hearing officers in cities and towns.

Fire
safety,
fines.

By Mr. Petrucci of Boston, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Anthony Petrucci and others for legislation to regulate the sealing of ballots and voting lists in conducting elections.

Ballots,
sealing.

By the same member, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of Anthony Petrucci and others relative to the appointment of officers for the supervision of elections in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Election,
officers.

By Mr. Scibak of South Hadley, petition (subject to Joint Rule 12) of John W. Scibak and others for legislation to make certain changes in the law relative to the funding of public education in the cities and towns of the Commonwealth.

Education,
funding.

Severally, under Rule 24, to the committee on Rules.

Papers from the Senate.

A report of the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2344) of John A. Hart, Jr., for legislation relative to the South Boston power station,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets; and

South
Boston,
power
station.

A report of the committee on Transportation, asking to be discharged from further consideration of the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 1927) of Richard T. Moore, Edward G. Connolly and Thomas J. O'Brien for legislation relative to the crime of homicide by motor vehicle,— and recommending that the same be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Motor
vehicle
homicide.

Severally accepted by the Senate, were considered forthwith, under Rule 42; and they were accepted, in concurrence.

A petition of Marc R. Pacheco to create the official shellfish of the Commonwealth, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

Quahog,
official
shellfish.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2454) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development.

Reports of Committees.

Public
employees,
study.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Public Service, on Senate, Nos. 1396, 1401, 1404, 1406, 1417, 1419, 1420, 1424, 1428, 1453, 1456, 1457, 1466, 1497, 1499, 1520, 1526, 1527, 1543, 1546, 1553, 1560, 1563, 1582, 1588, 1590, 1596, 1607, 1632, 2115 and 2150 and House, Nos. 143, 145, 169, 195, 197, 203, 206, 207, 215, 220, 235, 238, 239, 240, 241, 246, 247, 248, 262, 265, 276, 280, 285, 296, 331, 332, 333, 334, 360, 363, 387, 451, 461, 471, 478, 485, 491, 516, 522, 525, 526, 528, 534, 535, 537, 538, 539, 546, 547, 548, 561, 562, 581, 582, 589, 591, 597, 598, 3132, 3976, 3988 and 4088, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Public Service to make an investigation and study of certain Senate and House documents concerning active and retired public employees (House, No. 4773).

Energy
siting
issues,
study.

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on House, Nos. 1418, 3273 and 3323, an Order relative to authorizing the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy to make an investigation and study of certain House documents concerning energy siting issues (House, No. 4774). Severally referred, under Joint Rule 29, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently.

Subsequently Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for said committees, reported, in each instance, asking to be discharged from further consideration of said orders; and recommending that the same severally be referred to the House committee on Rules.

Under Rule 42, the reports severally were considered forthwith; and they were accepted.

Raynham,
Borden
Colony.

By Mr. Flynn of Bridgewater, for the committee on Bonding, Capital Expenditures and State Assets, on a petition, a Bill removing an agricultural preservation restriction from a portion of real estate in the town of Raynham known as Borden Colony (House, No. 4448).

Rowley,
land
disposition.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the disposition of land owned by the Department of Conservation and Recreation in the town of Rowley in exchange for certain other land located in the town of Rowley (House, No. 4661).

Private
passenger
automobile
insurance.
Social
Security.

By Mr. Mariano of Quincy, for the committee on Financial Services, on a petition, a Bill relative to private passenger automobile insurance (House, No. 1551).

By Mr. Rodrigues of Westport, for the committee on Labor and Workforce Development, on Senate, No. 1085 and House, No. 3780, a Bill relative to Social Security and unemployment insurance (House, No. 4777).

Unemployment
insurance,
regulating

By the same member, for the same committee, on Senate, No. 1115 and House, No. 3119, a Bill promoting fairness for workers requalifying for unemployment insurance (House, No. 4778).

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 1603, a Bill relative to the competitive determination of workers' compensation insurance rates (House, No. 4779).

Workers
compensation,
rates.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3120, a Bill relative to unemployment insurance fraud (House, No. 4780).

Unemployment
insurance fraud.

By the same member, for the same committee, on House, No. 3782, a Bill relative to the minimum wage (House, No. 4781).

Minimum
wage.

By Mr. Koutoujian of Waltham, for the committee on Public Health, on House, Nos. 2642 and 2643, a Bill relative to realistic allowable costs for funerals of indigents (House, No. 2642).

Indigents,
funeral
costs.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to establish an electronic system of vital records (House, No. 3642).

Vital
records.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill establishing standards for vital records (House, No. 3643).

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By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill to fund a system of electronic vital records (House, No. 3644).

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By Ms. Rivera of Springfield, for the committee on Public Safety and Homeland Security, on a petition, a Bill to provide funds for municipally operated firefighter recruit training programs (House, No. 1943).

Fire fighter
recruit
training
programs.

By Mr. Kaufman of Lexington, for the committee on Public Service, on a petition, a Bill relative to capping payment of pensioners for services after retirement (House, No. 263).

Pensioners,
service after
retirement.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill regulating the contracting of state service as it affects public employees (House, No. 477).

State services,
contracting.

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill directing the State Retirement Board to retire James J. Cahill, a firefighter of the city of Boston (House, No. 4420) [Local Approval Received].

Boston,
James J.
Cahill.

By Mr. Binienda of Worcester, for the committee on Revenue, on House, Nos. 2410 and 2563, a Bill relative to the fuel tax rebate (House, No. 4782).

Fuel tax
rebate.

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, on House, No. 3279, a Bill relative to energy efficient appliances (House, No. 4783).

Energy
efficient
appliances.

Severally read; and referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

Engrossed Bills.

Engrossed bills

Changing the term of office of the moderator for the town of Milton (see Senate, No. 2095) (which originated in the Senate);

Bills
enacted.

Increasing the accidental death benefit payable to surviving children (see House, No. 13, amended);

Designating a certain bridge in the town of East Bridgewater as the Cpl. Gordon M. Craig Bridge (see House, No. 4476);

Relative to the treatment of waste water in the town of Shrewsbury (see House, No. 4485); and

Regulating the financial conditions in the Athol-Royalston Regional School District (see House, No. 4752);

(Which severally originated in the House);

Severally having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, were passed to be enacted; and they were signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Recess.

Recess.

At twelve minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Flynn of Bridgewater (Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow being in the Chair), the House recessed until the hour of one o'clock P.M.; and at twenty-one minutes after one o'clock the House was called to order with Mr. Petrolati in the Chair.

Orders of the Day.

Methuen,
community
development
board.

The Senate Bill providing for alternative members on the community development board of the city of Methuen (Senate, No. 2021), reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, was read a third time; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

House bills

Stoughton,
land
conveyance.

Authorizing the Division of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance to convey certain land to the town of Stoughton (House, No. 2798);

Kingston,
sewer
commission.

Relative to the sewer commission of the town of Kingston (House, No. 4528);

Lee,
voting districts.

Establishing in the town of Lee representative town government by limited town meetings (House, No. 4536);

Stockbridge,
land use.

Relative to the use of certain land in the town of Stockbridge (House, No. 4595); and

Canton,
Sam
Swardlick
Bridge.

Designating a certain bridge in the town of Canton as the Samuel "Sam" Swardlick Bridge (House, No. 4673);

Severally reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn, were read a third time; and they were passed to be engrossed. Severally sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Northern
Berkshire
Industrial
Park and
Development
Corporation.

The engrossed Bill amending the law establishing the Northern Berkshire Industrial Park and Development Corporation (see House, No. 4376), which had been returned by His Excellency the Governor with recommendation of amendments (for message, see House, No. 4698), was considered.

The committee on Bills in the Third Reading reported recommending that the amendments recommended by the Governor be considered in the following form:

By striking out section 1 and inserting in place thereof the following two sections:

"SECTION 1. Section 1 of chapter 758 of the acts of 1985 is hereby amended by striking out the definition of 'Department' and inserting in place thereof the following definition:—

'Department', the department of housing and community development.

SECTION 1A. The definition of 'Economic development area' of said section 1 of said chapter 758, is hereby amended by striking

out, in line 1, the words 'any blighted, or any' and inserting in place thereof the following words:— a blighted open area or.";

By inserting after section 2 the following section:

"SECTION 2A. Said section 1 of said chapter 758 is hereby further amended by striking out the definition of 'Secretary' and inserting in place thereof the following definition:—

'Secretary', the director of housing and community development.";

In section 3, by striking out the fourth sentence and inserting in place thereof the following sentence: "Upon their appointment the 3 members shall nominate for appointment by the governor 6 additional members, of whom at least 2 shall reside in Hancock, New Ashford, Cheshire, Florida, Clarksburg or Savoy.";

By inserting after section 4 the following section:

"SECTION 4A. Paragraph (k) of section 4 of said chapter 758 is hereby amended by striking out, in line 13, the word 'private', and by inserting after the word 'plan', in line 17, the following words:— ; provided, however, that the corporation shall not initiate an eminent domain taking of private property for private development purposes.".

The report was accepted.

Pending the question on adoption of the amendments recommended by the Governor, Mr. Bosley of North Adams moved that they be amended by striking out proposed section 4A.

The further amendment was adopted.

The amendments recommended by the Governor, as amended, then also were adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Engrossed Bill — Land Taking.

The engrossed Bill authorizing the town of Hingham to convey certain land (see House, No. 4267, amended) (which originated in the House), having been certified by the Clerk to be rightly and truly prepared for final passage, was put upon its final passage.

Hingham,
land.

On the question on passing the bill to be enacted, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays (this being a bill providing for the taking of land or other easements used for conservation purposes, etc., as defined by Article XCVII of the Amendments to the Constitution); and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

Bill enacted
(land taking),
yea and nay
No. 361.

[See Yea and Nay No. 361 in Supplement.]

Therefore the bill was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

The House report of the committee on Election Laws, ought NOT to pass, on the petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 50) of John A. Lepper and others relative to the filling of vacancies in the office of United States Senator was considered.

U.S. Senate
vacancy.

Pending the question on acceptance of the report, Mr. Jones of North Reading moved that it be amended by substitution of the Bill relative to vacancies in the U.S. Senate (House, No. 50), which was read.

Substitute
bill rejected,
yea and nay
No. 362.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of Mr. Lepper of Attleboro; and on the roll call 22 members voted in the affirmative and 133 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 362 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected; and the report was accepted.

Student
records.

The Senate Bill relative to student records (Senate, No. 2206, amended) (its title having been changed by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading), reported by said committee to be correctly drawn, was read a third time.

Pending the question on passing the bill to be engrossed, Mrs. Haddad of Somerset moved that it be amended in section 1, in line 45, by striking out the word "registered" and inserting in place thereof the word "certified".

Amendment
adopted,
yea and nay
No. 363.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 154 members voted in the affirmative and 0 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 363 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was adopted; and the bill (Senate, No. 2206, amended) was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Sent to the Senate for concurrence in the amendment.

Orders.

The following order (filed by Mrs. Haddad of Somerset) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Education
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Education be granted until Monday, June 19, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 297, 345, 350 and 2320; and House documents numbered 1046, 1071, 1110, 1131, 1186, 1219, 4157 and 4375.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mrs. Haddad, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Torrisi of North Andover) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Community
Development
and Small
Business
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Community Development and Small Business be granted until Wednesday, May 17, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 148 and 167; and House document numbered 3544.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Torrisi, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Pedone of Worcester) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure be granted until Thursday, June 15, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 181, 182, 185, 189, 191, 193, 195, 196, 198, 204, 207, 211, 213, 215, 217, 218, 227, 231, 244, 247, 248, 249, 254, 1185 and 1837; and House documents numbered 1440, 1442, 1447, 2856, 2932, 2933, 2936, 3345, 3364, 3365, 3378, 3383, 3385, 3388, 3393, 3403, 3404, 3405, 3411, 3680, 3681, 3689, 3690, 3692, 3693, 3694, 3702, 3703, 3705, 3741, 3744, 3956, 3958, 3963, 3964, 4070, 4195, 4315, 4347, 4432, 4444, 4445, 4497, 4525 and 4693.

Consumer
Protection
and
Professional
Licensure
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Pedone, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Bosley of North Adams) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Economic Development and Emerging Technologies be granted until Wednesday, July 26, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 256, 257, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 273, 275, 276, 278, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286 and 287; and House documents numbered 22, 23, 24, 25, 605, 1476, 1479, 1480, 1482, 1483, 1484, 1485, 1486, 1487, 1488, 2927, 2928, 2940, 3683, 3706, 3707, 3708, 3710, 3713, 3716, 3717, 3719, 3722, 3724, 3725, 3726, 3728, 3730, 3731, 3732, 3733, 3734, 3735, 3736, 3737, 3738, 3739, 3875, 4253 AND 4290.

Economic
Development
and Emerging
Technologies
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Bosley, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Smizik of Brookline) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture be granted until Wednesday, May 10, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current House documents numbered 1397.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Environment,
Natural
Resources
and
Agriculture
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

The following order (filed by Mr. Smizik of Brookline) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Environment,
Natural
Resources
and
Agriculture
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture be granted until Monday, April 24, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current House documents numbered 1357.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Smizik, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Mariano of Quincy) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Financial
Services
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Financial Services be granted until Monday, May 1, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on all Senate and House documents referred to them.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Mariano, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. O'Flaherty of Chelsea) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

The Judiciary
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on The Judiciary be granted until Friday, June 30, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on all Senate and House documents referred to them.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. O'Flaherty, the order was considered forthwith.

Pending the question on adoption of the order, Mr. Jones of North Reading and other members of the House moved that it be amended by inserting after the word "them" the following: ", except for House bills 909, 1813 and 3555".

Amendment
rejected,
yea and nay
No. 364.

After debate on the question on adoption of the amendment, the sense of the House was taken by yeas and nays, at the request of the same member; and on the roll call 23 members voted in the affirmative and 131 in the negative.

[See Yea and Nay No. 364 in Supplement.]

Therefore the amendment was rejected; and the order was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Ms. Kaprielian of Watertown) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Municipalities
and
Regional
Government
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Municipalities and Regional Government be granted until Wednesday, May 17, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 1161, 1169, 1171, 1181 and 2322; and House documents numbered 3574 and 3603.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Ms. Kaprielian, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Cabral of New Bedford) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on State Administration and Regulatory Oversight be granted until Wednesday, May 10, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 1768, 1750, 2064 and 2120; and House documents numbered 3455, 4152 and 4690.

State
Administration
and
Regulatory
Oversight
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Cabral, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy be granted until Wednesday, May 31, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate documents numbered 1808, 1810, 1814, 1816, 1817 and 2345; and House documents numbered 3290 and 4307.

Telecommunica-
tions, Utilities
and Energy
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Dempsey, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Turkington of Falmouth) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Tourism, Arts and Cultural Development be granted until Wednesday, March 29, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 1851.

Tourism, Arts
and Cultural
Development
committee,
extension
of time for
reporting.

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committees on Rules, then reported that the order ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Turkington, the order was considered forthwith; and it was adopted. Sent to the Senate for concurrence.

The following order (filed by Mr. Wagner of Chicopee) was referred, under Joint Rule 30, to the committees on Rules of the two branches, acting concurrently:

Ordered, That, notwithstanding the provisions of Joint Rule 10, the committee on Transportation be granted until Friday, April 14, 2006, the time within which to make its final report on current Senate document numbered 2315; and House documents numbered 1996 and 2216.

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On motion of Mr. DiMasi of Boston,—

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sitting.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

Mr. Kulik of Worthington then moved that the House adjourn; and the motion prevailed. Accordingly, without further consideration of the remaining matters in the Orders of the Day, at five minutes before four o'clock P.M. (Mr. Petrolati of Ludlow being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.